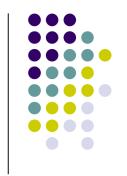
# USE OF THE VDEM MOBILE COMMAND POST FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

Communications and Mutual Aid



# **NIMS/ICS System**





INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM: COMMAND STAFF & GENERAL STAFF

#### **How VDEM fits into NIMS/ICS**

- COV 44-146.17 names the Governor as the Director of Emergency Management
- State's powers and duties the Governor may use to protect the lives and property of the citizens of the Commonwealth.
- Allows Governor to declare a State of Emergency and request assistance from Federal Agencies or Other States.

#### **How VDEM fits into NIMS/ICS**



- COV 27-15.1 Places Local Fire/EMS Chief on scene as the Incident Commander, not the Governor.
- However, VDEM is tasked with coordinating and providing guidance and assistance to affected political subdivisions to ensure orderly and timely response to and recovery from disaster effects.

## **How VDEM fits into NIMS/ICS**



#### **VDEM offers:**

Provides training and guidance in developing and maintaining emergency management programs, plans, and systems.

Provide personnel to respond to your EOC as the state liaison, upon request.

Field deployable command and control equipment.

#### **VDEM MCP**



- 1995 Thomas Bus Chassis
- Diesel powered with 100 gallons of fuel on board.
- 12KW Generator on board or 250V/50A AC
- LAN
- 12 line telephone system with Satellite phone and Fax.
- VHF, UHF, Aircraft, and Marine Radio capable
- Private conference area.

# **VDEM MCP Deployments**



- National Boy Scouts of America Jamboree
- Martinsville NASCAR Races
- Hendrick Racing Plane Crash
- VA Governor's Inaugurations
- Multiple Search and Rescue Incidents.
- Multiple Hazardous Materials Incidents.
- Virginia State Fair

# **VDEM Mobile Command Post**





# **VDEM MCP at BSAJ**





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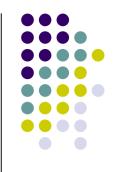


### **Statewide Mutual Aid**



 The Statewide Mutual Aid (SMA) program was developed to assist cities and counties to more quickly and efficiently provide assistance to each other in response to a major disaster. Common expectations and procedures for implementation have been established and potentially problematic issues (such as those relating to insurance, liability coverage, and reimbursement) have been resolved in advance.

### Statewide Mutual Aid



 The program does not interfere with day-today agreements between nearby localities or other state agency sponsored mutual aid arrangements or programs already in place. The SMA program has the active support of the Virginia Municipal League, the Virginia Association of Counties, selected state agencies with primary emergency response roles, and all professional emergency responder member organizations statewide.

# **Emergency Management Assistance Compact**



 The Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC), established in 1996, has weathered the storm when put to the test and stands today as the cornerstone of state to state mutual aid. The EMAC mutual aid agreement and partnership between states exists because from hurricanes to earthquakes, wildfires to toxic waste spills, and terrorist attacks to biological and chemical incidents, all states share a common enemy: the threat of disaster.

# **Emergency Management Assistance Compact**



 Since being ratified by Congress and signed into law, in 1996, (Public Law 104-321), 49 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands have enacted legislation to become members of EMAC. To Date, The State of Hawaii is not a member of EMAC. EMAC is the first national disasterrelief compact since the Civil Defense and Disaster Compact of 1950 to be ratified by Congress.

#### **SMA** and **EMAC**



- Both can be requested through the Virginia Emergency Operations Center by calling 800-468-8892 or (804)674-2400.
- Ask for Ray Parker or Kenny Hayes. They will be happy to assist you with the requesting process.

# Thank you for your time today

Questions?

